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HENDERSON COUNTY MAN INDICTED ON DRUG AND FIREARM VIOLATIONS

David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, announced today that a federal Grand Jury in Bowling Green returned an Indictment charging **JAMES FAULKNER**, age 38, of 9100 Anthoston-Frog Island Road, Henderson, Kentucky, with possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine; possession of ephedrine/pseudoephedrine with the intent to manufacture methamphetamine; possession of equipment, chemicals, and materials with intent to manufacture methamphetamine; possession of a firearm in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime; and possession of a firearm by a drug addict.

The previously filed criminal complaint and affidavit allege that on January 22, 2005, with two marked \$100.00 bills, a confidential informant purchased 2.0 grams of methamphetamine from James Faulkner. After the transaction, police arrested Faulkner and recovered the \$200. A subsequent search of his residence resulted in the seizure of three firearms, 1.8 grams methamphetamine, approximately 39 grams pseudoephedrine, and materials associated with the manufacture of methamphetamine.

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If convicted, the maximum potential penalties are not less than five years and up to life imprisonment, a \$2,000,000 fine, and supervised release for a period of 3 years.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Madison T. Sewell, and it was investigated by the Henderson County Sheriff's Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

Faulkner is scheduled to appear for arraignment before the United States Magistrate Judge on June 23, 2005, at 10:00 a.m., in Owensboro, Kentucky.

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The indictment of a person by a Grand Jury is an accusation only and that person is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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